

Appl. No. 10/708,157
Amdt. dated January 26, 2006
Reply to Office action of December 05, 2005

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

1. Information Disclosure Statement

The listing of references in the specification is not a proper information disclosure statement. Therefore, unless the references have been cited by
5 *the examiner on form PTO-892, they have not been considered.*

Response:

This is an Information Disclosure Statement in accordance with the requirement from the examiner under 37 CFR 1.98(b). The applicant wishes
10 to make of record the documents listed on the accompanying form PTO/SB/08.

Since this IDS is filed after the mailing date of the final Office action, consideration of the information disclosure statement is hereby requested
15 according to 37 CFR §1.97(d). That no item of information contained in the information disclosure statement was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application though it is more than three months from the filing of the information disclosure statement.

20 The information contained in the IDS is previously disclosed in the specification but not proper, therefore the applicant hereby files the IDS as the requirement from the examiner. It is respectfully requested that the examiner can consider the document listed on the accompanying form PTO/SB/08 and that it be made of record in the application.

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2. Claims 25-28 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Sano et al. (US 6870316).

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Response:

Claims 25-28 are canceled. Consideration of claims 25-28 is therefore not needed anymore.

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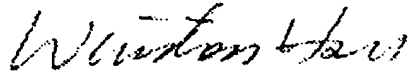
3. Allowable Subject Matter

Claims 1-4, 7-20 are allowed over the prior art of record.

Applicant respectfully requests that a timely Notice of Allowance be issued in this case.

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15 Sincerely yours,



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